

Indicator #1: Non-fatal Work-related Injuries and Illnesses Reported by Employers

Maryland State Occupational Health Indicators

About this Indicator:

Why is this Indicator Important?

Estimating the burden and tracking these injuries can help target prevention programs and activities. This information can be used to identify contributory factors and to develop prevention strategies or regulations to protect workers.

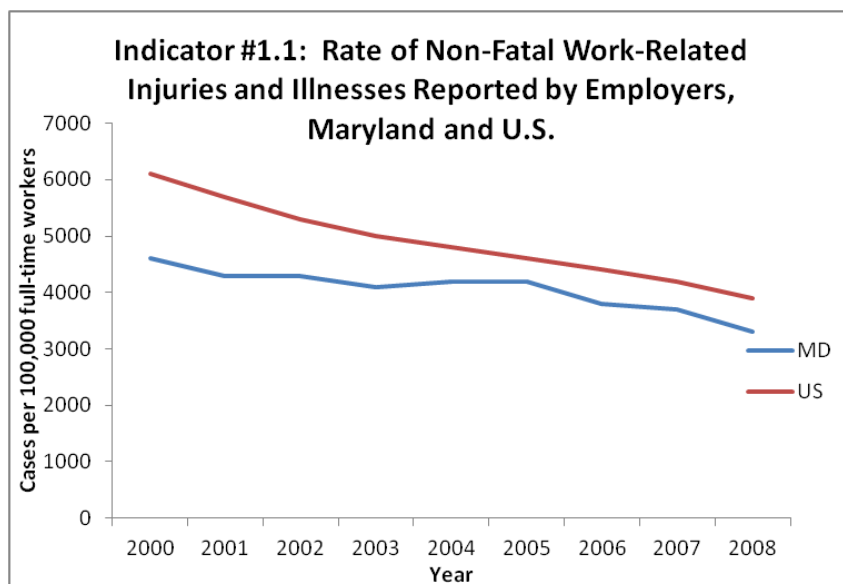
Limitation of Indicator:

The Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses is conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics using a probability sample and not a census of all employers. It is based on injury and illness data reported by employers and is subject to sampling error. Military, self-employed individuals, farms with fewer than 11 employees, and Federal agencies are excluded from the survey.

For more information on this indicator or occupational health in Maryland, visit the DHMH website.

- Work-related injuries usually result from a single event, such as a fall, while work-related illnesses, such as asthma or asbestosis occur as the result of a longer-term exposure to a hazardous chemical, physical hazard or repeated stress or strain at work.

Work-related injuries and illnesses are preventable, and control of occupational hazards is the most effective means of prevention.



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Year	1. All Cases of Work-Related Injury and Illness		2. Work-Related Injury and Illness Cases Involving Days Away from Work		Illness Cases Involving more than 10 Days Away from Work	
	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*
2000	78,400	4,600	30,300	1,800	21,120	-
2001	73,600	4,300	27,000	1,600	-	-
2002	72,500	4,300	28,900	1,700	-	-
2003	68,600	4,100	28,000	1,700	11,190	-
2004	69,700	4,200	27,600	1,700	11,190	-
2005	72,700	4,200	26,400	1,500	9,410	-
2006	66,400	3,800	25,600	1,500	9,580	-
2007	65,700	3,700	23,800	1,300	9,190	-
2008	58,600	3,300	21,100	1,200	8,690	-

* Rate per 100,000 full time workers

- Data not available

Data Source for this Indicator: Bureau of Labor Statistics' Annual Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses